

**FIRST 5 PLACER
CHILDREN'S & FAMILIES COMMISSION**

Meeting Minutes, December 9, 2004

Marie Callender's
110 Grass Valley Hwy.
Auburn, CA.

AMENDED

Attendees - Commissioners & Staff:

Tamara Lieberman, Chair-Commissioner, Tahoe Community Foundation
Raymond Merz, Commissioner, County Social Services
Mindy Danovaro, Commissioner, Director of Development and Outreach
Elaine Rowen, Ph. D. Commissioner, Education
Bob McDonald, Commissioner, Early Intervention
Christa Darlington, CFC County Counsel
Jo McCormack, CFC County Counsel
Don Ferretti, CFC Director
Nancy Baggett, CFC/HHS Staff Support/Administration
Bobbie Reagan, CFC/HHS Staff Support

Commissioners & Staff Not in Attendance:

Blanca Castro, Commissioner, Local Child Care Resources and Referral
Dr. Sandra Naylor-Goodwin, Vice Chair-Commissioner, Director of the CA Institute for
Mental Health
Harriet White, Commissioner, Board of Supervisors, District 3
Dr. Richard Burton, Commissioner, Placer County Health Officer & Director of Health and
Human Services
Mike Romero, CFC/HHS Staff Support/Epidemiology

Public Attendees:

Yvonne Lewis, Grand Jury 2005
Jill Harper, CRC member
Francine Nunes, PCOE Child Care
Dan Lovas, Auburn Family Tae Kwon Do

Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:40 p.m.

I. Public Comment

Persons may address the Commission on items not on this agenda. Please note that although the Commission is very interested in your concerns, the California Brown Act prohibits the Commission from taking any action at this meeting on items not published on this agenda.

Christa Darlington introduced Jo McCormack as her replacement, representing County Counsel. She has been re-assigned to other projects.

II. Approval of Minutes

Approve the minutes from the October 21, 2004 meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes from October 21, 2004 meeting

McDonald / Merz / Unanimous

III. Commission Action Items

1. Appoint a Nominating Committee to Nominate 2005 Commission Officers - Chair and Vice Chair.

Commissioner's McDonald and Rowen volunteered to be the Nominating Committee. They will return to the January meeting with a slate.

2. Appoint Two Commissioners to liaison with and attend meetings of the State Children and Families Commission and the State Association

Commission agreed to hold this item until all new Commissioners are approved and appointed. If possible, to be added to the January agenda.

3. Appoint One Commissioner to Participate on the Executive/Finance Committee

Commissioner Danovaro volunteered for this appointment.

4. Request Action on the \$5,000 Application from Auburn Family Tae Kwon Do

Motion to approve the request for \$5,000 from Auburn Family Tae Kwon Do

McDonald / Danovaro / Unanimous

5. Request that Commissioners select one or two funded partners and attend their Learning Conversations

Commissioner Lieberman:

1. Kidzone-Sierra Nevada Children's Museum
2. Kings Beach Family Resource Center

3. Sierra Nevada Children's Services/Truckee Family Resource Center
4. Tahoe/Truckee Dental Program
5. Tahoe/Truckee Unified School District - School Readiness Program
6. Tahoe/Truckee Unified School District

Commissioner McDonald:

1. Child Abuse Prevention Council - Thrive By Five
2. Multi-Disciplinary Interview Center
3. Peace for Families

Commissioner Danovaro:

1. Arts Council of Placer County
2. Breastfeeding Coalition of Placer County
3. Calstar

IV. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Lieberman provided an overview of a meeting attended by the CFC Executive Finance Committee and Jenine Windeshausen regarding the Trust Fund.

She also commented on the Retreat and the impressive way that Heidi Kolbe facilitated the Strategic Planning meetings.

V. Advisory Committee Reports

Community Collaborative of Tahoe/Truckee – Kim Bradley

None

Placer Collaborative Network

None

Childcare Local Planning Council – Francine Nunes

- Reported on the Cares Project and noted that 201 applications were received.
- Attended the Rocklin Child Winter Fest, which 135 Child Care Providers attended.
- Participated on a panel at the National Childcare Association Conference, representing the Placer County Cares Project, and noted that 100 were in attendance. She spoke about the Placer County Model and noted that Placer County was the only county out of 5 Counties represented on the panel that their First 5 is not operating their Cares Project. Placer County has entrusted a local planning council to write the grant, operate and manager their program.
- She will be attending the January State First 5 meeting in Burbank.

Community Resource Committee/Director Report (Combined) - Don

- Results from the Strategic Planning Retreat have been distributed and are 3-hole punched for placement in the Commission notebooks.
- Insurance Program for children who do not qualify for other programs - Attended regional meeting and found that no child has been serviced yet. Many issues to be resolved prior to implementing. Requested that David Gray research and summarize everything that is available, then analyze and critique information together for future presentation to the Commission.
- Learning Conversations - Change in format has been very successful with partners realizing that reporting to the community and Commission is through their data and outcomes, and also successful is facilitation of the conversations by persons other than CFC staff. Heidi Kolbe, Fiona Tuttle and Kim Bradley are all available on an on-call basis for facilitation of meetings.
- Nutrition Theme - A meeting to be scheduled with Commissioner Burton to collect ideas and gather additional information then return to the Commission as an agenda item for discussion.
- Other Funding Sources - CRC discussed looking at finding other funding, and to utilize other sponsors.

VI. Director Report – (See above)

Commissioner Lieberman presented Commissioner Ray Merz with a plaque of recognition for his contribution and outstanding service to the Children and Families Commission.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:40 p.m.